



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the City Attorney's Office**

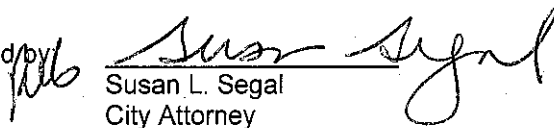
Date: August 16, 2012
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee
Referral to:

Subject: Tiffany Crowder et al v. David Menter et al
United States District Court File No. 11-cv-00646-JNE-TNL

Recommendation: That the Council authorize settling this case in the amount of \$5,500 payable to Tiffany Crowder and her attorney Peter Nickitas, in a distribution to be determined by the City Attorney's Office for the purposes of a structured settlement and minor settlement, from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400, and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Previous Directives:

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City Attorney

Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- ☐ No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).
☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the _____ Capital Budget or _____ Operating Budget.
☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.
☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves.
☐ Business Plan: _____ Action is within the plan. _____ Action requires a change to plan.
☒ Other financial impact (Explain): Fund/Org. 06900 1500100 145400
☐ Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

Community Impact

Background/Supporting Information

Plaintiff Tiffany Crowder alleges that Minneapolis Police Officers violated her rights and injured her daughter during the execution of a search warrant on February 19, 2009. She also alleges that the City did not provide all the data she was due in a Data Practices Act request. The City Attorney's Office was able to negotiate a proposed settlement in the amount of \$5,500, including payment to Tiffany Crowder, and a structured settlement for her minor daughter, pending City Council approval. For the foregoing reasons the City Attorney's Office recommends that the Council authorize settling this case in the amount of \$5,500 payable to Tiffany Crowder and her attorney Peter Nickitas, in a distribution to be determined by the City Attorney's Office for the purposes of a structured settlement and minor settlement, from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400, and authorize the City Attorneys Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.